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Press Release

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Mountain Rescue Honolulu Ave & Whiting Woods Road Incident #GLN1500197 1/4/15 4:15 p.m.

Whiting Woods Mountain Rescue

On Sunday, January 4, 2015 at 4:15 p.m., 5 Glendale Fire units (1 Battalion Chief, 1 engine company, 1 truck company, 1 urban search and rescue company, and 1 basic life support ambulance), along with the Glendale Police Department Airship under the direction of Battalion Chief Thomas Propst responded to a mountain rescue located at Honolulu Avenue and Whiting Woods Road in the City of Glendale.

Glendale Engine 29 arrived first on scene and assisted by the Glendale Police Department's airship, initiated a ground and aerial search for the hikers. After narrowing the search area, the airship observed the three male hikers stranded in a remote trail located approximately one mile up the main motorway. Glendale firefighters were able to make contact with the three hikers and guide them back to safety. Glendale Fire Department paramedics assessed the hikers who were not injured.

The Glendale Fire Department encourages residents to bring water, a light snack and a charged cell phone with them when hiking in the mountains and hills of Glendale. Additionally, persons hiking the trails should always stay on the trails to prevent getting lost.

The mission of the Glendale Fire Department is to protect life and property by providing the highest level of service to the community. For more information about the Glendale Fire Department, go to www.glendalefire.org.